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The Muslim Underwear Sale has been going on for three weeks—will continue for another week! The sales at our muslim underwear counters have been bigger than ever before—more people have stopped there to buy—sure indication of low prices and superior qualities.

This week the interest will be diverted to a dozen styles in ladies' Nightgowns. These gowns are made of fine cotton, finished in the best possible manner and are trimmed with the daintiest of hampshire embroideries, these are such qualities as it pays to buy.

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Perfect fitting, well shaped Corset Covers, made of fine muslin, felled seams and finished in the most thorough manner. There are about ten different styles, all at one price.

25 Cents.

To our Cloak Department any day this week—it will buy any ladies' Jacket in our stock. Perhaps if you get here first you'll secure one of the \$15 or \$20 Jackets. We take inventory next week—that's the secret of the low price.

You never wore a 25 cent Linen Collar—that is, never wore one that only cost you 10 cents. Well, take a minute off tomorrow, our men's furnishing counter is just inside the door, we'll sell you one 25 cent linen collar for 10 cents or three for 25 cents. Incidentally we'll show you how it is possible to save a little money by trading with us.

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What are you Looking For?

When you purchase the fable supplies? Price or Quality? Or a present of trifling value thrown in as an inducement, or something to be handed back at some future time to amend for inferior quality, or do you put aside every other consideration and demand first STERLING QUALITY and then a moderate price and good service.

Did you ever stop to consider that your health was invaluable to you and should be the first consideration.

A gift or after consideration of whatever nature should have no influence in determining what goes on your table, unless absolute purity is to be considered.

(To be Continued.)

MVN Braman.

12 STATE STREET.

WE NEVER ADVERTISE

a thing we do not have. We never advertise a bargain if we cannot give you an unusual value for your money. Just now we offer exceptional inducements in

Men's Clothing

AND

Furnishings.

To make ready for new stock we will make up suits, overcoats and trousers, at about one-fourth less than real value. Same way with different lines of furnishings.

P. J. BOLAND.

BY TELEGRAPH. SPANIARDS URGE WAR.

Excitement Growing in Madrid. Government Urged to Take First Action. Cabinet Meets.

London, Feb. 25.—A special dispatch from Madrid says that the Spaniards are expecting war with the United States as a result of the Maine disaster. This prospect is pronounced pleasing to all parties in Spain, and the more excitable newspapers are already urging the Spanish government to take measures which will enable Spain to strike the first and decisive blow.

The feeling in Madrid is growing owing to dispatches from the United States saying that public opinion in the latter country is becoming more excited as the impression grows that the loss of the Maine was not due to an accident. The dispatch from Madrid says in conclusion: "These reports from the United States are stirring popular feeling in Madrid, and the conviction is increasing in ministerial circles that the worst must be expected. The government has no choice, if the United States adopts a threatening attitude, for the prospect of war is pleasing to every one."

Cabinet Meeting Held Today.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The first full meeting of the cabinet in some weeks was held today. The members talked about the Maine disaster at some length as a current topic of vital interest, but no action of any kind was taken nor any suggestions made.

No intimation has yet come from the court of inquiry as to how long it will be occupied with its work and consequently no conclusion can be reached as to when its report will be available. The situation otherwise is unchanged and after the cabinet meeting today it was announced that there was no news at the state or navy departments that added anything to the situation as shown by yesterday's dispatches.

Work of the Wreckers.

Havana, Feb. 25.—The wounded are reported to be doing well thus far today. The Merritt and Chapman Derriock and Wrecking company's tug Right Arm is again at work removing such parts of the wreck as is possible in advance of the arrival of stronger tugs from the North. It is believed that divers from the Fleet and Right Arm will remain at work when the Mangrove leaves for Key West.

The Fern will then be the only United States vessel in Harbor. After the Mangrove goes, the public generally will be excluded from official vessels, and cards will have to be presented by correspondents before admission is given them.

Investigation Proceeding.

Havana, Feb. 25.—The United States light house tender Mangrove is still here and the naval court of inquiry continued its usual session today. Its members hope to get away to Key West late this evening or early tomorrow morning, but they are not sure which. It is highly probable that the testimony of civilian witnesses did not add to the court's knowledge of the circumstances attending the explosion.

The session yesterday was devoted to taking the testimony of two civilians, Americans, who saw the explosion from the deck of the City of Washington, that was moored a few hundred yards from the Maine, and of two divers who have been at work on the wreck for several days. Although it is probable that the Mangrove will leave for Key West today, Captain Sampson is not yet certain. It is believed the court will return to Havana after hearing the Key West witnesses.

Neither the officers of the court of inquiry nor the witnesses will give the slightest indication of the testimony, or the conclusions deducible from it, and all say that the men employed on the wreck have been warned to observe an equally strict reticence. This course is regarded as eminently wise, by the American and Spanish officials, as there is no telling what passions might be aroused or what evil results might be brought about by talking freely on official matters in the present state of public feeling in Havana. Thus far Americans are treated with the utmost courtesy and kindness, and it seems the special care of the residents of Havana to show friendliness. Such a state of things certainly is desirable, but it might easily be changed if officers, only partly informed of the truth, talked for publication. The inquirers will go to Key West today or tomorrow.

Offers "Positive Proof."

New York, Feb. 25.—A Havana correspondent of a local paper says: "After having spent every hour of daylight for three days in a sailboat about the wreck of the Maine, adding to my own observations that which I learned from divers and experts, I am able to offer these positive proofs that the battleship Maine was destroyed by a submarine mine. The forward magazine did not explode. The aft magazine did not explode. Outside of these magazines there were not enough explosives on board to cause the destruction of the battleship."

"Dynamite in coal could not have caused the explosion. The only boilers that had up steam have been found to be intact. Six-inch and 10-inch powder cases, some empty, some full, have been found. No internal explosion could have occurred where these powder cases were. Part of the Maine has no bottom. The divers were around in the mud, searching for bodies. This shows that some tremendous blow was dealt the Maine in the bottom, tearing upward through the ship."

Dewey Spoke at an Auction.

New York, Feb. 25.—A thousand representative people gathered at the

Metropolitan Opera House yesterday to bid for the boxes and seats for the performance on Sunday night next for the benefit of the families of the sailors and marines who lost their lives in Havana harbor. Chauncey M. Depew made a speech previous to the sale, in which he said: "It is many years since the country stood in the shadow of a crisis so overwhelming as the present. We stand in the attitude of saying to the president: 'We wish you fearlessly and without favor to friends or foe to examine into and tell us what caused the death of these seamen, our brothers.' Our great ship went to Havana to protect American life and property. It called upon, everyone on board was ready to lay down his life."

The sale netted \$3926. All of the parterre boxes were sold at prices ranging from \$300 to \$300. Among the purchasers were Richard Croker, \$100; George Huntington, \$100; Lillian Russell, \$100; Stewart M. Bruce, \$100; Maurice Grau, two boxes, \$100 each; August Belmont, \$100. J. W. Kahn paid \$50 for a gallery seat.

An Apprentice's Story.

Schenectady, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Ambrose Ham, who was on board the Maine when she was blown up at Havana, has written to his father. Young Ham, who is an apprentice, was on watch when the explosion occurred. His letter says: "Three bells, or 5:30, sounded, and nothing occurred to warn us of the accident soon to happen. About 20 minutes to 10 I was standing at the break of the poop and was going to turn around to walk further aft when I saw a flash of light or fire which seemed to envelop the whole ship. Then I heard a report and I was hit with a piece of iron on the left side of my face. Then a second report, longer and more terrible than the first, occurred, and the big ship was lifted out of the water and fell back into the water a mass of broken and tangled steel, that is the forward part of the ship. Fifty feet from the stern forward was not touched. When she settled back into the water she began to sink. When I recovered from the shock I ran aft to the captain's boat and helped to lower her. It was picked up a lot of men that were in the water." Ham expresses his opinion that the disaster was caused by the people who are in Havana and who caused the riots.

Relief in Spain's Famine.

Boston, Feb. 25.—Thursday's Transcript had interviews with leading business men to show that the feeling of uncertainty which has settled the stock market was unwarranted. Governor Wolcott thought that no wiser word had been spoken than the expression in Captain Sigbee's first dispatch, written when the horror of the disaster was fresh in his mind, calling on the American people to "suspend judgment" until all the facts should be known. The American people, I think, can be trusted to preserve that calm and deliberate attitude of mind which we like to consider characteristic of our race. When the full facts of the explosion are made to appear, I have every confidence that the dignity and honor of the republic will be safe in the hands of the national administration.

T. Jefferson Coolidge said: "It is perfectly absurd to think that the Spanish government had anything to do with the sinking of the Maine at all. If it was blown up it was either the work of the Cuban junta in order to make trouble for Spain, or of the Spanish Cubans themselves to make trouble for the United States. Either one of these might have done it, but it is perfectly absurd to think that the Spanish government itself had anything to do with it. The accident may have been due to the action of electricity on board ship, or some other cause of that kind. But suppose the Maine was blown up by a Spanish Cuban or the junta, Spain is not responsible. The only thing we could do would be to ask Spain to pay for it, as it was blown up in a peaceful harbor under the control of the Spanish government. The Spanish are conscious that they are weak, and it would only be in a violent state of passion that they would think of attacking us. I don't think they would hesitate for a moment to pay damages if it was proved that the Maine was blown up by treachery."

Advised to Prepare.

Madrid, Feb. 25.—The Imparcial takes the Spanish government to task for its "apathy, contrasted with the patriotic feeling of the country," and warns the nation against the "hypocritical Yankee nation which really aims at the independence of Cuba."

Continuing, the paper remarks: President McKinley may make and reiterate protestations of friendship and pacific intentions, but his actions contradict his words. While the president of the United States is cajoling with words he sharpens his weapon to stab us behind. While talking peace he utilizes even Sundays in unusual war preparations at the docks and cancels the furloughs of the marines. Can we trust those who are preventing the pacification of Cuba and fomenting rebellion and filibustering expeditions, sending warships under the pretext of friendship and preaching peace? We must prepare for war."

Spain's Treachery.

London, Feb. 25.—The Daily Mail alleges that attempts have been made by newspapers in London and New York to obtain some letters that the British ambassador to the United States, Sir Julian Pauncefote, is supposed to have written, containing strong expressions regarding the American senate's rejection of the arbitration treaty.

The idea, according to the Mail, was to compel Sir Julian to follow Dupuy De Lome. The paper adds: "The campaign failed, but it is evident that Sir Julian Pauncefote will have to tread warily."

BY TELEGRAPH. SITUATION CRITICAL.

Starvation May End the Cotton Strike. Outside Aid Not Sufficient. Much Suffering.

New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 25.—The cotton manufacturers of this city have a new and most forcible ally. His name is starvation, and although he has been for weeks gathering strength for the assertion of his power, he has but recently been enabled to declare it. His awful influence is too potent to be denied, and his sway promises to bring the strike to an end, while every other influence has utterly failed.

An appeal has been issued to everyone asking for aid, either in money, food or clothing. Desperate as this may seem, it is no whit overdrawn. While the early stories of starvation were ridiculed, and not without cause, for there was no starvation at the outset, there is plenty of it today, and cases are not isolated. There is the most abject poverty in all quarters. In spite of the efforts of the city poor department, which has issued some 4000 food orders since the beginning of the strike, and the hearty relief of the eight soup houses, which are trying to feed over 1000 families, there is actual want.

At the outset the strikers were promised all sorts of aid in their "fight for all the oppressed cotton operatives of New England," as they were made to consider it. They relinquished a pay roll of \$75,000 per week to battle for principle. For nearly six weeks they have firmly held out in their resistance, but never once has the relief from general outside sources reached \$1000 a week. Under the old schedule they were scarcely able to live in decency; reduced 80 percent, there was nothing left for them but suffering and hunger.

At the outset of the contest the Weavers' union was a strong and confident organization. It had 1500 members and a treasury of \$9000. They were not allied with any of the great national movements, as was the spinners to the American Federation but they were led to believe that they would be supported and the strike would last but a couple of weeks or so. Today, after six weeks, the treasury is gone. Instead of

the \$3 each per week to which they are entitled by their constitution, the unionists have voted to accept \$1 per week, and the treasury cannot stand even that slight burden.

Many Holding Out.

Fall River, Mass., Feb. 25.—The frame spinners at the King Philip mill are still more or less defiant, and many of them refused to return to work, preferring to fight a little longer. Their places are being filled by operatives from other mills and from New Bedford, and the trouble will soon be entirely ended by the employment of a full complement of help. The strikers have lost the support of the mule spinners, who have returned to work, and cannot hold out long, although they are endeavoring to collect money from the operatives and business men.

To Organize Backboys.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 25.—The Rhode Island Mule Spinners' association held a general meeting in this city last night, and beside the usual business of the association it was decided to organize the backboys throughout the state. The boys have petitioned to become members. An application was received from the mule spinners of the mills of the Manville company at Manville for admission to the association, and it was voted to allow them to become members.

Willing to Accept Half.

Taunton, Mass., Feb. 25.—The committee of strikers of the Whittemore mill waited upon Superintendent Lovering and proposed a compromise by cutting the six percent reduction in half. After an extended conference it was announced that no agreement was reached. It is thought that the strike will come to an end within a week.

Want Better Wages.

Ashland, N. H., Feb. 25.—Twenty-five top hands employed by the Ashland Knitting company left their work yesterday afternoon after making a demand for better wages.

THE RELIEF MEASURE.

Bulk Allowances, Equivalent to a Year's Pay, Provided.

Sisters and Brothers of Victims to Be Sharers.

No Developments of Importance in the Havana Situation.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Representative Boutelle, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, conferred with Secretary Long yesterday on the question of relief for the survivors of the Maine disaster. The bill which he has prepared will carry about \$157,000 if passed in its present form. How far the general law passed in 1896 will affect the special relief extended to the Maine survivors has not yet been determined, but in any event it will cover only the actual loss of clothing, etc., while the relief measure is designed to give a bulk allowance equivalent to 12 months' pay.



CONGRESSMAN BOUTELLE.

Referring to the rumors of treachery in connection with the Maine disaster, Mr. Boutelle said: "I feel that any man who by spoken or written utterance adds a spark to inflame public sentiment at this juncture is as guilty as the man who would touch a match to the powder magazine of a vessel. This is a time for the calmest judgment instead of ungoverned talk, wholly without basis of established fact, of a war which would entail the loss of hundreds of thousands of people."

Section four of the measure stipulates that the relief granted "shall be deemed and taken to be full compensation for and in satisfaction of any and all claims whatsoever on account of loss or death by the destruction of the United States battleship Maine, on the part of the beneficiaries heretofore designated."

The secretary of the navy is authorized, "wherever in his discretion it may be deemed practicable or expedient, to cause the remains of all or any of those who perished in consequence of such disaster to be removed to the United States cemetery at Arlington; provided that the relatives of any such deceased officers and others mentioned in this act who prefer that the remains of such be taken to their homes within the United States shall have such privilege extended to them and the expense thereof shall be borne by the United States; and the sum of \$10,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated."

ated to carry out the provisions of this section."

No Fresh News.

Washington, Feb. 25.—It can be stated on the authority of Secretary Long that absolutely nothing of a disquieting nature has been received at the White House, nor is important news of any character expected until the court of inquiry has completed its investigation and submitted its report. The public has been fully informed as to all matters connected with the disaster to the Maine which have come to the knowledge of the government. Nothing has been withheld of the least public interest, and this policy will be continued until the problem has been solved and the whole truth brought to light. It is known that the government has not received any information from official sources tending to show with any degree of certainty that the explosion was the work of enemies.

It has been left to Captain Sigbee to say what of the shattered material is worth preserving. His statement that much blasting would be required to clear away encumbering material indicates that it is essential to destroy the upper portions of the wreck in order to get at what is more valuable beneath. Captain Sigbee's statement that the divers have been down aft seven days and forward four days gave the department the first information of the time that the divers had been in the vicinity of "zone of explosion." This zone is confined to the forward part of the ship.

The department's dispatch of yesterday that "friends of the dead should understand we are in the tropics" is understood at the navy department to refer to the urgent pleas of relatives of the dead that the latter be brought to the United States. These appeals continue to be received here, but while they excite the deepest sympathy of officials, no hope can be held out that the dead can be brought back. There are circumstances which, if they could be made known, would end such appeals, and would show that the department has not been wanting in desire to save friends and relatives from the pain which would be caused by a full disclosure of the effect of the explosion. The press reports have given in part the terrible mutilation of the bodies, but it is feared this has not been fully realized by friends and relatives. There is little hope that many of the bodies still missing will be found or, if found, that they will be in a condition to be brought to the United States.

Democratic Banquet.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—William J. Bryan addressed 600 Democrats at a banquet last night. The gathering was in the nature of a reunion.

Mr. Bryan asserted that the money question was to be the paramount issue in the next campaign, and recalled the fact that the national committees of the Democrats, the Populists and the free silver Republicans have issued addresses in which they assert that the money question is the issue and call for the co-operation of the forces in order that it might triumph.

Executed Her Threat.

Eastport, Me., Feb. 25.—The badly decomposed remains of Carrie Bowden, aged 15 years, were discovered on the beach three miles from Eastport. Miss Bowden disappeared from her home in Calais last November, leaving a letter for her mother, informing her that she was going to bridge herself. She was last seen on the bridge connecting Calais and St. Stephen. It is supposed she jumped from the bridge, and the body floated down the river when the ice broke up.

Saturday!

Feb. 26 is Opening Day at Cutting Corner for the celebrated Dunlap hats. Our stock of Dunlap Crush Hats at \$2.50 includes black and brown shades. Dunlap tourists at \$5 come in pearl, pecan and black. Dunlap stiff hats at \$3.50 and \$5 in three proportions come in black and pecan shades. Dunlap Silk Hats cost \$6 and are top-notch for wear and style.

Opening Day

we show for the first time this season many entirely new and exclusive novelties in hats and caps. Our entire line of blocks and colorings in the Cutting, Guyer and Franklin will be shown for the first time, and at \$3 and \$2.50 have no equals. \$2, 1.50 and 1 are popular prices met in a convenient way by crowding double value in each hat and giving our guarantee of money back if you want it with each sale. Soft Hats, Tourist Hats, Golf Caps, Yacht Caps and shelves loaded with Children's Hats and Caps in our Boys Dept. make an attractive store for you to visit.

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Harnesses, Horse Clothing, Collars, Halters, REPAIRING A SPECIALTY

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WHOLESALE & RETAIL
Shoes and Rubbers
Of all styles for all ages
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52 feet on the street, 93 feet on the Boston & Albany railroad. 150 feet deep. Right price. Right terms.

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Every description of Insurance.

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MAN IS A REASONABLE BEING. Recognizing this fact, we want to reason with him regarding his laundry. Wouldn't you rather have your collars and cuffs made white and clean-looking? Wouldn't you rather have your laundry come home promptly on the day promised? Wouldn't you rather have the laundry do your work than use the most modern machinery, etc. If you would, drop us a postal or telephone 241-4, and our wagons will call.

Custom Hand Laundry.

A. E. ELLIS, Proprietor. Telephone 241-4.

Rear of Loneragan & Bissell's.

Just a word about Spring Suits and Overcoats--

THE TIME to order either is now. Everything is ready—tape-measure, shears, needle and thread. All await the word from you to begin work upon one of the many sorts of new Spring Goods which we are now showing.

SUITS—15, 16, 18, 20, and \$25.
TROUSERS—3.50, 4, 5, 6, 7, and \$8.

Made to order and perfect satisfaction guaranteed.

American Tailor, 31 Eagle St.

A CARLOAD OF

"Benson's Best" Flour

THE BEST FLOUR we know of, came last week. Two kinds—Pastry and Bread, made from selected wheat and sold under this guarantee. If it doesn't please, we take it back. One of 2000 barrels sold only two have failed to give satisfaction. Once tried, it will be used always.

CITY CASH GROCERY,

Corner Main and Marshall.

F. E. BENSON, Prop.

AT ADAMS

Change at Town Farm Settled.

For some time there has been considerable talk about the management of the town farm. Some were satisfied with its control while others thought too much money was being paid out. There was some discussion of selling the farm and boarding the paupers out to individuals who might be willing to care for them. Last year, Clarence Sherman, the manager, was given \$250 a week for each pauper and he was furnished with the house and help. Thursday the selectmen decided on a new plan whereby Mr. Sherman will be paid \$750 for the year together with the house and on the farm. This plan seems very feasible and no doubt will give better satisfaction to the town.

The selectmen are also considering quite extensive repairs on the house. It will be remembered that the state board of health condemned the place on account of poor sewerage and ventilation. It will cost considerable to make the changes and nothing as yet has been decided definitely in regard to this matter.

For Lower Insurance.

There will be a meeting of the insurance commissioners from Boston and the rating committee from this district at North Adams, Saturday. The commissioners asked that North Adams increase the membership of its fire department, but that has not been done. With this town, however, it is different. There are fewer fires in Adams than in any other town of the size in the state. There was but one fire last year, and at that time the damage was very slight. This town has the best company of volunteer firemen to be found anywhere, and the town is to a great extent better equipped for fighting fires than some cities. Taking the matter as a whole, there seems to be no reason why this town should not have a much lower rate of insurance than has heretofore been paid. Chief Engineer Jones and a few others have worked hard to attain it, and the chances are very good that the commissioners will see fit to reduce the present rate.

Concert at the Methodist Church.

Trinity male chorus of the Methodist church have arranged for a concert to be given at the church Tuesday evening, March 8. A choice musical program has been arranged. There will be selections by the male and mixed choruses, Robert Cliffe, violin solo; E. K. Alexander, Harry Steele, Jr., and Joseph Gravel, Jr., vocal selections; Y. M. C. A. orchestra of North Adams, musical selections; readings by Miss Daisy Babbitt and I. J. Hart, flute solo by T. Milton Dilloway, vocal duet by Messrs. Richmond and Matton and a violin solo by Miss Ethel M. Burt. Mrs. B. C. Southern will be accompanist. The tickets are now on sale by members of the male chorus.

Gone to Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McKenzie of Columbia street have gone to Fitchburg where Mr. McKenzie has taken a responsible position as boss dyer in the Parkhill mills. He has resigned his position at the Renfrew company's dye house on Dean street and is succeeded by his brother, Hugh. Mr. McKenzie is a first-class man at his trade and one of the town's finest young men. He has been secretary of the Alert Hose company for the past six years. He and wife will be missed among social circles yet they take with them the good will of the community.

Car Off the Track.

One of the large coal cars while loaded, went off the rails of a side track of the Boston & Albany railroad, near the dump at the Berkshire mill boiler house, Wednesday evening. The track rests on a trestle and when the car left the rails it rested on heavy ties of the trestle. The wrecking train from Pittsfield was sent for and the large derrick had to be used in replacing the car. It took several hours to complete the work.

For This Evening.

Dance at the Renfrew Caledonian club's hall. Animatograph exhibition by Lyman H. Howe in the opera house. It is under the auspices of Company M. Regular Lenten services at St. Thomas and Notre Dame churches. Regular meeting of the N. E. O. P.

Mrs. James McKenna of Renfrew has returned from several days passed in Boston.

A daughter was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kearns of Mill street. Mrs. H. A. Dean, who underwent a surgical operation last week, is getting along well. The operation was performed by Drs. Donnelly and Boon.

Miss Emma Barrett of Park street returned Thursday from several days' visit with friends in Pittsfield.

James McKenzie of Fall River is the guest of his mother on Dean street.

A horse owned by a farmer from Savoy ran away on Dean street Thursday afternoon, but was stopped before any serious damage was done.

Mrs. William H. Bates of East street is visiting her daughter in Westfield.

Mrs. B. Genet of Zylonite left town a few days ago and her husband is unable to account for her sudden departure.

Many People Cannot Drink Coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. For it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

THE FUN OF THE DAY.

Civil Service In Chicago.

Don't you hear the civil service bell a-calling—calling: "Martin, Martin, Martin, learn to read!"

Be a studious yore lesson, or soon you'll be a guessin' What some funny things are m'akin', I'm afraid!"

And every night I'm dreamin', dreamin', dreamin' That yere name's not on the payroll any more, And over there, a-hintin' of the days before ye want in. Is a pick and shovel standin' by the door.

The style of education ye'll be nadin' Is not the kind ye've learned upon the straths, And sphinkin' Dutch and dago, though far widd it ye may go, Will niver, niver kape ye on the bats.

I know that ye can hit a good deal harder Than any other man that wears the blue And can knock a nigger further without comin' murther.

For the byes all give it up that's that's true; But just now that's not the proper education To be takin' widd ye down to city hall.

It's a radin', sphellin', writin', ye must be either fightin' Or ye'll niver hold yere job at all, at all!

I know what ye are thinkin', Martin Murphy. Ye are thinkin' that yer pull is all ye nade. Betther see what I am tellin', or some duds that bates ye sphellin' Will be swingin' av yer club on dress parade!

Can't ye hear that bell a-ringin', ringin', ringin'! It's a-caylin', "Martin Murphy, look alive. Or soon ye'll be a-caylin' a wheelbarrow for Tim Dolan.

In the sewer for a dollar twenty-five!" —Will Farrell in Chicago Record.

Withering Reproach.

There was trouble between the diplomatists. "So, sir," said one, "you seek to cast discredit on my management of the war against Cuba."

"I do." "Perhaps you think you could have managed better?" "Unquestionably. I could have got whipped for half the money." —Washington Star.

Compulsory Reform.

"Gentlemen," said the shoe drummer, "you may not believe it, but Chicago is becoming one of the most moral towns in the country."

"Religious revival?" asked the drug drummer. "No. But the town is so full of foot-pads that everybody is afraid to be out after dark." —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Settin by the Fire.

Never much on stichin' rime (Rich wasn't his desire). Allers certain ter be foun' Settin by the fire.

When the frost waz comin' down, Col' waz creepin' higher. Spent each day jest that a-way—Settin by the fire.

When the dancin' shook the groun', Raised the ole roof higher. Never swung the gals aroun'—Settin by the fire.

Same ole corner night an' day, Never peared ter tire. Not a blessed word ter say—Jest sot by the fire.

When he died, by slow degrees, Folks said, "He's gone higher." But it's my opinion he's Settin by the fire.

—F. L. Stanton in Chicago Times-Herald.

A Source of Comfort.

Summer Visitor—You must take lots of comfort in winter from that great fireplace.

Green Mountain—Waal, you see, we don't hev much time. I'm busy choppin' wood for it most of the time, an' Johnny he's busy luggin' it in, an' an' an' sho's busy puttin' it on the fire.—New York Truth.

Cannibals Versus Christians.

"Oh, mamma, do Christians eat preachers just like the cannibals do?" "Why, no, my child. What put that notion into your head?"

I heard Mrs. Deakon say that she was going to have her minister for lunch." —Brooklyn Life.

A Billet Doux.

Long since hast thou my heart entirely 1. Oil, give me thine! Thou hast no use for 2. Full well I know that thou I've asked thee 3, But do not answer us thou hast be 4. For once again I'll plead, and then if 5 To plead again 'twill make the number 6. In thy sweet presence earth to me is 7. Spurn not my love lest love should turn to 8! But on my suit, oh, deign to smile be 9. For till I've won thee I'll not rest con-10-t!

—Pick Me Up.

Farm for Sale.

Farm of 431 acres, farming implements and stock. One mile from Center street in Adams. The price is right. Enquire of P. D. Powers or address Box 1113, Adams, Mass.

Some Foolish People.

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General Agency.

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By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage deed given by Rose Levin to me, dated October 1, 1897, and recorded in the Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds, lib. 250, folio 359, will be sold at public auction at the law office of Charles J. Parkhurst, Main street, North Adams, Mass., on Saturday the 26th day of March, 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon all and singular the premises described in said mortgage deed, namely: a certain tract or parcel of land, situated on the West side of State street, in North Adams, Berkshire county, Massachusetts, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the West side of said State street at the Southeast corner of land of Odile Girard; thence running South 89 degrees 22 minutes West along the South line of land of Odile Girard, 132 feet of land of Eva B. Cronk; thence South 84 degrees 48 minutes East, along the East line of said Cronk, 66 feet to a stake and stones; thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes East, 132 feet to a stake on the West side of said street; and thence North 10 degrees 45 minutes East, along the West side of said State street, 66 feet to the place of beginning.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me
in the other world; but this I do know;
that I never was so mean as to despise a
man because he was poor, because he was
ignorant, or because he was black.
—John A. Andrew.

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all parts of the world are received exclu-
sively by THE TRANSCRIPT up to the hour
of going to press.

"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."
From the Seal of the city of North Adams.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, FEB. 25, '98.

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are the best business men in this commu-
nity. Their advertisements are worth
reading, and they are the firms with
whom to trade most advantageously.

Communications on live topics are
solicited by THE TRANSCRIPT. They
must be signed (not necessarily for pub-
lication) and be brief, to insure printing.

THE ATTACK ON YALE.

At a recent banquet of the Yale Alumni
association at New York, Prof. Arthur
T. Hadley represented the faculty of that
University and made a reply to the im-
moderate charges of the Voice to the
effect that there was an atmosphere of
immorality and intemperance at New
Haven, and that men of good judgment
would not send their sons there for a
course of study. Prof. Hadley said:
"The Yale spirit conduces in every way
to morality, and now more than ever. In
the matter of temperance I believe it is a
first-rate place to send a boy. There is
no place in the world to which a boy can
go from the restrictions of home into the
greater freedom of the world where he
will have less chance to ruin himself than
at Yale. The surroundings are helpful.
As an undergraduate said to me the other
day: 'Nothing 'queers' a man so for the
best societies as to take more liquor than
is good for him.' If one believes that he
finds the best protection for himself in
total abstinence, he will find that he will
be encouraged and helped. If for the
good of his fellows he abstains totally, he
will find himself honored and respected.
But if he proposes rules for others as pro-
tection to himself, he will find himself in
a hopeless minority. The mass of col-
leagues believe that more can be accom-
plished by public sentiment than by legis-
lation."

It is evident from this that there is no
probability of the conversion of Yale
University into a kindergarten.

The Independent in its last issue begins
an article on "Religion and Morals at
Yale" by saying:

"Three-fourths of the freshman class of
Yale college are church members. Prob-
ably at no time in the history of Yale has
the religious life of the college been in a
healthier condition or more pervasive and
controlling over the public sentiment of
the institution."

Well-meaning but irrational folks
possessed of the idea that Yale is a little
worse than Gehenna, seem to have
jumped at an unwarrantable conclusion.
It has, as a matter of fact, probably just
as clean and good a tone as any other
modern college either in this country or
abroad, which is saying much or little
depending upon the private standard of
the individual judge.

There is only one interpretation of the
military activity on the seaboard, and it
is important. It signifies that the military
on the seaboard are active.

Our faithful hens are not to be led into
temptation to load their eggs after all.
The house committee has reported ad-
versely on the bill to have eggs sold by
weight.

The manner in which Governor Pin-
gree of Michigan led the grand march at
a state ball the other night bore no sug-
gestion whatever of picking one's way
between potato vines.

The presiding officer of the court of in-
quiry into the Maine disaster takes the
extraordinary position that it is his duty
to submit all developments to the court
instead of the correspondents.

At Philadelphia President McKinley
told his audience that Washington was
the exemplar of American patriotism.
The Populist press forthwith interpreted
it to mean that he had gone back on
Mark Hanna.

The establishment of a volunteer fire
company at Braytonville will be a valu-
able addition to the force, as it will increase
the efficiency of the department greatly
in that locality. The apparatus kept
there has not been of so much service as
it might have been. And it will not in-
crease the expenses of the department.

How perfectly shocking! The continen-
tal congress of the Daughters of the
American Revolution at Washington was
the scene of so much confusion Wednes-
day that two policemen had to be re-
quested to step in and preserve order. All
of the members wanted to talk at once,
the dispatches say.

Terrible as the calamity of the Maine
disaster is, it is perhaps worth what it
cost. If the talk of war with Spain ac-
complishes one thing, that of giving this
country adequate coast defenses, the war
scare is not a vain thing. The words of
Washington in January, 1790, "To be pre-
pared for war is one of the most effectual
means of preserving peace" are just as
true as ever in February, 1898.

Reports from all parts of the country
indicate that many leading members of
the Populist party are protesting vigor-
ously against the program which the
clique of silver worshippers in Washing-
ton have mapped out for fusion of Demo-
crats, Populists and Silverites in the com-
ing congressional campaign. The expe-
riences of the Populists, where fusion has
been attempted in the past few years, has
been far from satisfactory.

The whole country would welcome the
suggestion to make Secretary John D.
Long secretary of state, when the time
comes for a change. In every move he
has made he has proved himself to be a
man of decisive character, consummate
ability and good judgment and he would
fill the position to the eminent credit of
this country. He has won the regard and
confidence of the people to a degree
greater perhaps than any other man
identified with President McKinley's
most excellent administration.

The money in circulation in this country
continues to increase, despite the as-
sertion of the friends of free coinage that
this could not happen without the adop-
tion of their favorite proposition. The
treasury department's statement of money
in circulation on February 1, 1898, gives
the total as \$1,723,991,228 and estimates
the per capita at \$23.42. This is an in-
crease of more than 10 per cent. in the
per capita circulation since the date of
Mr. Bryan's nomination and a gain of
\$223,556,261 in the total amount in cir-
culation since July 1, 1895.

THE PATCHWORK QUILT.

She joined the squares with loving care
And set the dainty stitches,
A thrifty dame in olden days
Of tallow dips and wicks,
And every row of herringbone
And blocks so neatly shaded
Can tell a story of its own,
Though sadly worn and faded.

This muslin with the lilac sprig
She wore to Sunday meeting,
When bashful beaus around the door
Were waiting for her greeting
I seem to see her slipper foot,
The drowsy sermon over,
Go twinkling out among the graves,
Knee deep in dewy clover.

This little scrap of ivory hue
Her wedding gown disclosed,
And as a gay young wife she wore
This pink brocade with roses.
She wears the duties multiplied
The colors great and small,
Till middle age demurely went
In browns of sear October.

So you can read her quiet life
From morning's merry matin
Until you spell the vesper out
In bits of chintz and satin.
And here you know her form was bent,
Her locks were thin and hoary,
For blocks of woolen, black and gray
And purple, and the story.

—Town Topics.

DOCTORS IN CHINESE STORES.

The Fine Old Methods of the Celestial
Empire Applied Here.

Nearly every Chinese mercantile store in
this country has attached to it a Chinese
doctor and a pharmaceutical department.
In China every one chooses his own occu-
pation, and any person may assume the
title of physician without having given
previous evidence of his professional com-
petency. There are no medical colleges,
and no examination tests exist to worry
the mind of the future practitioner. And
neither are diplomas asked for or granted.
This unlimited liberty of selecting an
occupation has resulted in making the Chi-
nese medical profession very large, and
when the Chinese start a business a Chi-
nese doctor is always included as one of
the partners, and he acts as physician and
apothecary for the firm. In China Chinese
apothecaries, before they can carry on
their business, must pass an examination
and must exhibit a diploma from the ex-
amination board. Medical study consists
in mechanically learning the old Chinese
medical works, and, when possible, the
inherited knowledge of remedies all in ac-
cordance with the Chinese maxim, "The
older the better."

When a physician has been unsuccessful,
he retires with the common Chinese adage
that "there is medicine for sickness, but
none for fate." Sometimes an invalid will
go to a doctor and ask for how much he
will cure him and how soon the cure can
be performed. He states the diagnosis of
his case, the pulse is examined and every
other symptom investigated, when a bar-
gain is struck and a portion of the price
paid. The patient then receives the suit-
able medicines in quantity and variety, but
fitted for a horse rather than a man, for the
doctor reasons that out of a great number
it is more likely that some will prove effi-
cacious, and the more he gets paid for the
more he ought to administer. A decoction
of a kettledrum of simples is drunk by
the sick man, and he gives up both work-
ing and eating. If, however, at the expira-
tion of the time specified he is not cured,
he sends his physician for an ignorant
charlatan who cheats him out of his money
and seeks another, with whom he makes
a similar bargain. The visits and examinations
are very reasonable in price, varying in
amount from 15 cents to \$1. The fee is
wrapped up in red paper and is called
golden thanks. —New York Sun.

The Early Christian.

Teacher—What do you know about the
early Christians?
Tommy—Our girl is one of 'em. She
gets up in the morning and goes to church
before breakfast. —Indianapolis Journal.

Real Joy.
Of all the joys that fate can fix
This makes the heart elate—
To hear the bell at half past six
And not get up till eight.
—Chicago Record.

Pure Blood

Every thought,
word and action
takes vitality
from the blood; every nerve, muscle,
bone, organ and tissue depends on the
blood for its quality and condition.

Therefore pure
blood is absolutely
necessary to right
living and healthy
bodies. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the great
blood purifier and the best Spring
Medicine. Therefore it is the great
cure for scrofula, salt rheum, humors,
sores, rheumatism, catarrh, etc.; the
great nerve, strength builder, appeti-
tizer, stomach tonic and regulator.

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six for \$5. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co.,
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Hood's Pills taken after dinner aid digestion.

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PROBABLE PLAN OF CAMPAIGN.

To Force the Fighting In Cuba, Let the
Spanish Coast Alone and Protect the
Great American Seaports—Walter Well-
man's Inside Information.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—[Special.]—There
is now no concealment in administration
circles that the government is preparing
for the possibility of war and has been pre-
paring for it during a year or more past.
As I wrote some time ago, my dispatch
being the first disclosure of the govern-
ment's military policy made in the press,
the authorities have determined a long
time ago that if war were to come they
would not be found unprepared for it.
When the war between the states broke
out, it is a well known fact that the north
was not ready for hostilities. In the light
of history it is easy to see that the unfor-
tunate conflict was doubtless prolonged at
least two years at the cost of a vast treas-
ure and many thousands of lives by this
neglect. "In time of peace prepare for
war" is an axiom which no nation can af-
ford to neglect. During the last week the
newspapers all over the country have in-
creased the accuracy of the news which I gave
concerning the elaborate preparations for war
which were being made by our govern-
ment.

I am now able, upon the best of author-
ity, to give some important facts concern-
ing the plan of campaign adopted by our
military authorities. If war comes be-
tween the United States and Spain, our
plan will be to make it an offensive war so
far as Cuba is concerned and a defensive
war as to every other part of the field. It
has been agreed that we cannot afford to
attempt an attack upon Spain or upon
Spanish commerce. The southern coast of
Spain, lying almost wholly within the
Mediterranean, we would not dare cam-
paign against, as our ships and transports
might be caught within the straits of Gil-
braltar and be there destroyed by the
Spanish navy. That part of Spain lying
on the Atlantic, in the bay of Biscay,
offers no inducements to an attack by our
fleets.

Coast Protection.
The administration has decided that in
case war comes—and it is not here yet by
a long ways—our first duty is to protect
our coast cities. In Boston, New York,
Philadelphia or other seaports of this
country the Spanish cruisers might do
more damage in a few hours than we could
inflict upon Spain in a month. We have
the wealth and commerce lying exposed.
Spain has little by comparison. According
to this decision a great part of our fleet
would be engaged from the moment war
was declared in defending our coast line.
The ships would be divided into squadrons
or detachments, each assigned to the work
of protecting a particular port. They
would cruise some distance at sea to inter-
cept Spanish ships and give battle and
would, of course, be ready to respond at
any time to orders to assemble at another
point which might be threatened with at-
tack.

One of the highest officers of our govern-
ment pointed out to me today that if
war comes it is not likely to be as much of
a picnic as some people may imagine. If
Spain could afford to ignore Cuba, he said,
and concentrate her attention upon the
United States, she could afford to assume
that we were going to overrun that island,
notwithstanding all her opposition. We
would not get much if we took it. It is a
country already war ravaged and stripped.
On the other hand, the destruction of an
American city of the first class, or perhaps
the levying of a vast tribute to avert bom-
bardment, would be ample bait for any
wound Spanish pride might suffer through
the capture of Cuba by our forces.

Probable Spanish Tactics.

"It must be remembered," said the high
official with whom I enjoyed this private
talk, "that Spain as the attacking party
could choose the point of attack. Her tac-
tics would undoubtedly be to assemble her
fleets at some point in the ocean, agreed
upon beforehand, and thence to swoop
down upon a city of the United States se-
lected by her naval experts. In the nature
of things we could not know which city
was to be honored by this visitation till
the fleet of the enemy was very near our
shore. It might be New York, it might
be Boston, it might be Charleston, it might
be our navy yard at Portsmouth. We
should be able to offer in defense only that
detachment of our ships assigned to the
protection of that particular part of the
coast. The result would be that when the
first blow was struck we should be at a
great disadvantage. Before our re-enforce-
ments could be brought up—one, two or
three days—the damage would be done and
Spain would have the infinite satisfaction
of having bombarded an American city
and perhaps destroyed a number of our
best ships."

"At the outset Spain would have the
best of it, because she could mobilize a
naval force greater than any we could
offer against her. But of course this dis-
advantage would quickly disappear. In a
short time all our available fleets would
be concentrated at the point of attack. We
should know where the enemy was, and
we could go to him. If he ran away, we
could follow him. We could sink to his
heels. After the first shock, in which Spain
would no doubt get the better of us, it
would be a struggle to the death, a contest
of strength of armor, power of guns, speed
of ships, seamanship and courage. Here
we should not be afraid to meet Spain.
We should at least be her equal. After a
week or two more the advantage would be
on our side, on account of the distance
from which the enemy's fleets were oper-
ating. In time they would be ham-
pered by lack of coal and other supplies.
It ought not to take us more than a month
or six weeks to whip the Spanish fleets
and drive what was left of them away
from our coasts."

"Meanwhile we should have taken pos-
session of Cuba. Havana would probably
be ours within ten days from the declara-
tion of war. Spain's finances would go to
pieces in a month. Her people, overjoyed
at the first victory, would lose heart at the
subsequent defeat. The chances are there
would be riots if not revolution itself in
Spain. The loss of Cuba would anger the
Spaniards, and Spain would be compelled
to sue for peace within 60 days. I do not
believe the war would last more than
three months at the outside, and the re-
sult of it would be a victory for the United
States."

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HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS.

Leigh H. Irvine's Plan of Government Aid
For the Unemployed.

[Special Correspondence.]
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—The city
which gave birth to the Henry George
philosophy and the idea of establishing
single tax societies all over the world is
now launching forth another economic
propaganda which promises to be
unique and far-reaching.
Leigh H. Irvine, a well known writer
and lecturer on economic topics, is the
founder of a new society, the motive of
which is to try to induce the federal
government to establish a new state for
the unemployed. The founder of the
plan is a man of 35, a university gradu-
ate and for some years a lawyer at Kan-



sas City. He is not a socialist, though
he says there should be a state modeled
somewhat after the style advocated by
socialists. In an interview the founder
of the new cult, which has been taken
up by one or two congressmen, said:

"It has long been admitted by econ-
omists and statesmen of nearly every
school except that of Herbert Spencer
that it is the duty of the state to care
for the defective, delinquent and de-
pendent classes. The general system
now in vogue is the almshouse plan.
This is bad.

"I simply hold that it is the duty
of the government, under that clause
of the federal law which gives it a
right to provide for the general wel-
fare, to start a state or national colony
for the worthy unemployed. I think this
is a practicable idea and that it can be
done within a few years. I would have
the general government say to every
worthy American citizen: 'You shall not
be hungry and unclothed. We will al-
low you to enlist in the great army of
industry. In exchange for a few hours
of your time each day we ask you to
serve the government in such a way as
we designate. We give you and your
family a home. You must enlist for two
years and when you leave you will be
paid your pro rata of the total earnings.' I
firmly believe that if this government
were to set aside a few million acres in
half a dozen different parts of the coun-
try, to endorse the plan with money enough
to go at farming and village building in
a businesslike way and give the worthy
unemployed the services of skillful
managers as well, it would solve the dis-
tressing problem of homeless men and
women. It would give little children
bread and a place to sleep, as well as
schooling. To say that some such series
of colonies would not become self sup-
porting under the proper discipline and
federal control is to affirm that the fer-
tility of this great country, backed by
brains and money, is not sufficient to
support the population."

Mr. Irvine is about to abandon all his
other labors and devote himself entirely
to advocacy of this idea.
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known as the Harlow Green property
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acre of land, \$1500.

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ance meadow and pasture. No house,
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Local News!

NORTH HANCOCK.

The phonograph exhibition recently given at the school house by the Rev. A. L. Powell was very well attended.

Mrs. Myron Bailey, who has been spending several weeks with her parents and son, left for her home in New York last Saturday.

Giles Ten Eyck of Alps, N. Y., is visiting friends in this place.

C. H. Rathbun expects to remove to Cheshire this spring.

Mrs. T. Towns has been assisting in caring for Mrs. Dorcas Gardner, for a few days. Mrs. Gardner remains about the same.

Some of our townspeople braved the high wind and attended Fred Northup's auction at Sweet's Corners on Monday last.

W. A. Gardner has taken the agency for Coe's fertilizer, and has been improving the recent good sleighing in drawing it from Williamstown.

School closed on Friday for the Spring vacation. The teacher, Miss Rogers, has given satisfaction. She will spend her vacation at her home, Martha's Vineyard.

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ZOAR.

Mrs. Alonzo Tyler and her daughter, Jessie, have returned to Conway, accompanied by Ethel Rice of Charlemon.

Effie Todd is going to spend part of her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Starr, of Springfield.

Josiah Tinney has George Manning and David Shamba loading cars with lumber for him.

Mrs. Young took a sleighride with her pupils to Saaburne Falls last week.

Mrs. Negus has gone to Athol to visit her daughter.

Supt. Howard gives Miss Todd praise for having some of the best vegetables written in her school of any in his district.

We are very sorry to learn that Mr. Shamba is quite ill. It is feared that he will have pneumonia.

Charles Manning died February 15 after a severe illness of several weeks. He had a very bright mind but physically he has always been weak, and nothing but the very best of care prolonged his life even so briefly.

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HOOSAC TUNNEL.

E. A. McMellin of North Adams spent February 16 with F. L. Rice.

Miss Dor of Monroe Bridge visited Mrs. E. D. Rice, Sunday.

All enjoyed the sugar eat at E. D. Rice's, Friday night.

F. W. Galbraith has returned from Pittsburgh.

The community express much sympathy in the death of Mrs. T. Killian.

William Allen has accepted a position in New York.

Mrs. Godfrey Williams has completed work for T. Killian.

Mr. McGuire spent Sunday with his family in Shelburne Falls.

Mrs. Lockhart attended the funeral of Charles Manning in Zoar, Friday.

Owing to the storm Mr. Coburn was unable to hold services here Sunday.

WHITINGHAM.

Don't forget the sugar eat and social at C. S. Chase's Friday night. The ladies are trying to raise funds to build a new chimney in Green Mountain hall this spring. The ladies are invited to a quilling party in the afternoon. Supper at the usual hour.

Miss Rena Goodnow has returned from her visit to New York state.

E. A. Wheeler went to North Adams Saturday.

Miss Lilla May of Wilmington is working at Royal Chase's.

Porter Carrier went to Hawley last week.

DAVIS BRIDGE.

The train from Hoosac Tunnel did not arrive at this station Tuesday night until 11 o'clock by reason of the storm.

Mrs. F. E. Davis is visiting friends in North Adams and Blackinton this week.

Mrs. S. G. Eckford of Greenfield is spending a few days at her father's, Dea. R. C. Streeter.

R. S. Childs of Brattleboro is in town on business.

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If there is any handsomer or richer material than a new silk fabric now offered, I have never seen it. It is a mingling of all other silks and the consequent production of a superb piece of goods. There are several color combinations of this new silk, so that all tastes may be suited, but the loveliest one is where electric blue and silvery white are united in one perfect piece of fabric.

This silk has been woven 40 inches wide so that the new two piece skirt can be cut from it leaving the stripes to meet in front in a V shaped design. It is a heavy corded sateen weave, with alternate three inch stripes of heavy sateen. The sateen weave is the electric blue. The alternate stripes are white, with a rich moiré thrown over them. The moiré in some lights hints of the blue and sometimes the blue looks nearly white, so that altogether the surface shows a subtle blending of the two. Faint green and ivory, ivory and old rose and a dozen other combinations of color are brought together in this beautiful silk, which is rich enough for a coronation robe.

The intention is to have trains of medium length to all gowns made of this silk, which I could not find a name for. It goes without saying that no trimming is to be put upon the skirt, but no restriction is placed on the amount that may be added to the waist.

One pattern gown had the waist round and low in the neck and draped with a white crepe lisse sash. This began at the corner of the right side of the neck and was fastened to the left shoulder and carried over a knot of electric blue sateen ribbon as wide as the stripes. The sash was carried across the back and over the right shoulder, and there loosely tucked into a graceful drape, and from there brought

across the bust to the left side, where it hid under a belt and rosette of the ribbon. There were puffs to the sleeves, and shirred crepe lisse long sleeves which could be slid under the puffs and tied with tapes, or the long sleeves could be omitted where a more elaborate effect was desired.

Among the new silks we find many broad ones, mostly in the jacquard effect. A goodly share of these are in bayadere designs, particularly in black. The body of the silk is broad, with waved and corded lines in the roundabout fashion. Some of the stripes are satin faced, with heavy corded edges.

There are some very handsome new thick silks for cloaks and mantles. These with cords like ottomans, grosgrain bayadere and shellmores are the richest. There are some damasks with raised figures, mostly in old and intricate scroll designs and palm leaf patterns. Taffeta in fine checks and in large plaids and also in pretty stripes are all new.

Striped taffeta is so crisp and so pretty that many very dainty gowns will be made of it. There are certain effects to be obtained with taffeta silk that no other can give. A daintiness attaches to it in some occult manner, and it will be long before it loses its popularity again.

A reception dress which I saw was made of red and gray taffeta in broken narrow stripes. The skirt was plain and demure, though down the front seams were ruffles of black lace. The blouse was a slashed peplum edged with narrow ruffling of black crepe lisse. The revers were likewise trimmed with the ruffling. The latest fancy has been to cut out the large sprays of white chintilly and apply them directly on a surface of rich moiré colored tulle. The design in question is unusually large and is interlaced in a sort of lattice pattern over the whole front of the skirt. In a costume which I saw one row was brought around the bottom of the train. None was put on the waist. The waist was high in the neck and had small revers and a wide

weaves and most of the rest have checks or plaids.

The lawns, dimities, pamelas, organzies, batistes and percales are printed in dainty floral designs, for which we should be duly thankful, as they refresh the eye. Nothing could be more delicate or lovely than these thin and filmy fabrics. They are not expensive—indeed one wonders how all that beauty can be provided and sold so cheaply.

The pin and cord dotted swisses will be great favorites and for them lace and ribbon are the proper trimming. The new lawns and linen batistes are exquisite when well designed and not very expensive.

As Lent approaches nearly all young ladies pass the penitential season in sewing upon their summer frocks. One clever girl has a blouse and a low waist to each skirt, and with different colored ribbons, appears to have a great variety of clothes.

The new parasols and the hats deserve a whole letter to themselves and will have it next week. One feature is that there have been half as many ribbons as there have been. One of green silk has 11 ruffles of white silk mull, each an inch wide, overlapping each other along the edge. Another is of green, blue and yellow plaid, with rows of white lace inserted seven or ten to each yard.

The new straw hats for ordinary wear are made of rough braid. There are dozens of pretty shapes, mostly the turban variety. These turbans make one think of the ugly round hats in vogue when hoopskirts and chignons were worn, but they have some saving grace in the way of trimming. There is a large number of straw alpine in rough and smooth braids and in very light colors. There are sailor shapes, too, of milan and leghorn as well as seeded brims. The English walking hat or turban is dipped in front, rolled high at the sides and the crown is literally covered with lovely spring blossoms mingled with loops of wire gauze ribbons.

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white mousseline de sole vest. This was gathered full and was slightly puffed at the front. There were a narrow green velvet belt and high stock of the same in a becoming myrtle shade. The sleeves were plain, but the whole effect was indescribably rich.

I noticed on a thick terry velvet in a dull olive green a number of set pieces of hand crocheted lace in ecru thread. This was novel and handsome. Hand crocheted lace is growing in favor. It has the merit of being real in a time when so much is imitation.

Another novelty in the way of trimming for all sorts of gowns for home and for street is the jewel button. This is of steel filigree with enameled flowers, cut steel with imitation jewels and no end to the gilt and enamel fancies, some large and some small. The prettiest are of steel and emeralds in form of a clover leaf.

For outings there is a new stuff called baron de chausse, a sort of corduroy. It wears admirably, but is rather heavy. Scotch trevies grow prettier and more serviceable with each week. Those with tartan facing make stylish golfing capes and, in fact, whole suits. There are some very pretty new tennis dannels, the greater part having light gray or drab ground-work with bright stripes. The shepherd plaids are in for a long run. Gray with canary, burned orange and gamboge, also corn yellow, is a favorite combination. Coral pink, light heliotrope, mouse, silver, invisible green, a pinkish gray and old rose are all among the newest colors; so are turquoise, periwinkle and pimpernel.

In plaids the blue and green is the newest, and I think it will prove very popular. Plaid is produced in everything—silk, velvet, valours, poplin, grenadine, gauze and hargenes and even in the cottons. The gingham shows the effect of the rayon for plaids, for though they are nearly always in plaided designs they are of a kind entirely different from the regular plaids found in other goods.

The best gingham leave very little to choose between them and the silks in point of appearance. There are some new cotton mixed taffetas in light colors. They are very pleasing to see and to feel. They are washable. Some of them are woven with a silken gloss and others are dull surfaced. There are some very pretty thin cottons in faint colors with small checks outlined in silk threads in different colors. Wool and cotton are also blended in other very pretty goods for everyday wear. This is also in fine checks and plaids. In fact, almost everything in the cotton and wool



EVENING AND RECEPTION DRESSES.

weaves and most of the rest have checks or plaids.

The lawns, dimities, pamelas, organzies, batistes and percales are printed in dainty floral designs, for which we should be duly thankful, as they refresh the eye. Nothing could be more delicate or lovely than these thin and filmy fabrics. They are not expensive—indeed one wonders how all that beauty can be provided and sold so cheaply.

The pin and cord dotted swisses will be great favorites and for them lace and ribbon are the proper trimming. The new lawns and linen batistes are exquisite when well designed and not very expensive.

As Lent approaches nearly all young ladies pass the penitential season in sewing upon their summer frocks. One clever girl has a blouse and a low waist to each skirt, and with different colored ribbons, appears to have a great variety of clothes.

The new parasols and the hats deserve a whole letter to themselves and will have it next week. One feature is that there have been half as many ribbons as there have been. One of green silk has 11 ruffles of white silk mull, each an inch wide, overlapping each other along the edge. Another is of green, blue and yellow plaid, with rows of white lace inserted seven or ten to each yard.

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TELETYPE

With the beginning of Lent will occur the usual lull in social life—not that society takes itself to fasting and prayer, but that its attention is diverted to other channels than those of balls and similar activities. Various charitable enterprises, conducted by social leaders, characterize the period nominally devoted to religious meditation, and the current of intercourse is not stopped, but simply runs a little more quietly. Home loving women take advantage of the relaxation of their social duties to look after the ways of their household more closely and especially to do quantities of pretty needlework, usually in the line of embroidery for table and dining room

The tendency of gowns to shrink and cling is becoming daily more pronounced, and modistes are now making tentative efforts to revive the close, plain, tightstyle of former years. This is rather an abrupt change from the ruffles and blouses which have been so characteristic of the prevailing fashions, and it may not succeed. However, the new designs are by no means based on the close model, and the approach of summer is by no means favorable to its immediate establishment, since it is not best adapted to muslins, gauzes, challoes and other light goods, which require fullness. However, stiff, outstanding folds and haircloth and metal extenders are banished, and probably by next fall our garments will begin to cling like a wet bathing suit. A significant indication of this probable change is the disappearance of the thick or thin flannel undergarment which is suffering itself as a substitute for the flounced petticoat. It is not a divided

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Turquoise blue is coming to the front again and forms the decoration of a pretty spring gown of black embroidery and tulle. The skirt is gathered all around and has wide bands of turquoise ribbon, ending in shoux. The full bodice is also trimmed with an arrangement of turquoise bands, and the fullness of the sleeves above the elbow is confined by ribbon bands of the same color. With this gown are worn a pair of white tulle, tulle de sole and a hat of spangled neapolitan braid trimmed with white gauze.

A picture is given of a new evening cape, short at the back, but with long, straight and in front. It is of pink mousseline de sole, gathered over white mousseline de sole, and is trimmed with platted ruffles of black tulle and narrow ruches, also of black tulle. The cape forms a deep point over the arms, and there is a large tulle cravat.

The sketch in the sketch is odd, and although it resembles a tulle, it is not a tulle.

go to prove the rule. The exceptions usually wear their hair in some other way to please sweetheart or husband, or, like the wise innocence of Wales, believe that the chances of a woman's future make the changes made by time more perceptible.

The comb question, the "rat" problem and the hairpin puzzle are each and all of bewildering importance in their own right. Beneficial designs in shell combs are common and the styles of the combs are small and are either high, medium high or long and narrow, and composed of real shell teeth and finely cut steel. Some combs are narrow bands of rhinestones or half moons or circlets, to clasp the high, upstanding knot.

Very few side combs are shown any more. Sets of three or four long curved combs to entirely encircle the head, pushing the hair forward at top and sides and puffing it out beneath the knot in the back, are worn by most

ble of the bark and quite sovereign in front, except for its beautiful lilies, two rows of buttons and a row of little rosettes down the left side. It is double-breasted. Opened the two sides form revers, with pannes down each.

The revers are lined with white panne, trimmed with many rows of very narrow black band, like a hair line. The collar for winter shows fur when turned up and the panne, etc., when it lies down. With the thin black velvet hat covered with bright peony in shades of reds and whites of a kind that never grew on sea or land, but only in a French modiste's fingers.

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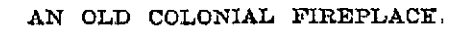


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FAVORABLE TO MORE SALARY.

Committee Reports it to House. Will Be Presented Tuesday.

The public service committee of the state legislature reported yesterday the bill giving \$1,800 salary to the judge of the northern Berkshire court district. This is favorable action by the committee, as was expected, and their recommendation will in all probability pass the house.

The bill would naturally have come up this afternoon, but Representative Magenis, who has had the matter largely in charge, and who has just returned to this city from his wedding trip, telephoned to the committee this morning asking to have the bill held over till Tuesday.

This is in order that if there is any fight on it, those who favor it may be ready to meet objections. No contest is feared unless some of the representatives whose districts were not favored for increased salaries by the committee, should raise an objection to having others receive what they failed to secure.

Usually when a report is made by a committee in favor of increased salary the house accepts it as final, as the committee makes such a report as the result of hearings and study of the case. Judge Phelps is therefore confident that the bill will pass and that the salary will be increased to \$1,800.

TOO MUCH CURIOSITY.

Boys Walk Into Boarded Up Eagle Street Store.

Marshall Murray and John C. Phelps, aged 18 and 20 respectively, were in court this morning charged with breaking and entering. They were arrested about 6:30 o'clock Thursday evening by Officer Bowes on complaint of Mr. Levine, who found Murray in the former's store on Eagle street, recently burned out. The owner of the store claimed that the boards had been broken off the door and several articles taken.

Murray testified that the boards were already off the door when he went in the store to the toilet room. He denied having taken anything and said that he didn't think it any harm to go in the store.

Judge Phelps believed that the boards were off the door and that the boy had gone in more out of boyish curiosity than with any evil intent. Both were discharged.

Patrick Kelly and Eugene LaPlant for drunkenness were fined \$5 each.

Good Roads Discussed.

About 190 persons were present Thursday evening at the annual banquet of the Connecticut Valley highway association in Springfield. The movement for good roads is growing rapidly, and increased interest is shown every year. Mayor H. T. Cady, Commissioner of Public Works J. H. Emigh and ex-Commissioner J. E. Hanter were present from this city.

Gen. Roy Stone of Washington, director of the office of road inquiry, department of agriculture, was the guest of honor and chief speaker. He gave a practical talk of the needs and methods of the movement for good roads. He emphasized the need of state supervision for successful work. Several other prominent men in the work of securing better road building made addresses.

Braytonville Fire Companies.

At a meeting of the fire engineers Thursday evening it was decided to go to Braytonville next Thursday evening to organize a volunteer fire department there, a project which was announced in THE TRANSCRIPT Thursday. A hose cart and the old hook and ladder truck have been placed in the old school house and if the number of volunteers is sufficient two companies of 12 men each will be organized to handle them. This will be a decided advantage to that part of the city, as the local companies will be able to reach a fire in that quarter much quicker than the regular department, the distance from Main street being about a mile and the road hilly. The new companies will serve without pay.

A Quiet Marriage.

Frank L. Mason and Miss Jannette E. Hodge were quietly married Thursday evening at the home of the bride, 18 Summer street. The ceremony was performed at 7:30 o'clock by Rev. F. A. Taylor, pastor of the Universalist church. The witnesses were Mrs. Mina Hodge Henderson of Cambridge, Mrs. Etta H. Morgan of New London, Conn., relatives of the bride, and Miss Dolphine Conchob of this city. Mr. Mason is a native of Cheshire, but has lived in this city for the last 18 years. The bride is a native of North Adams and has always lived here. The couple will live at 18 Summer street. The congratulations of many friends are extended.

Former Local Man Gets Contract.

Frank J. Sprague, formerly of this city, now of the Sprague Electric company of New York city, has received a contract to furnish the Brooklyn elevated railroad with his electric motor. The Manhattan company has under consideration terms to equip their road. These will mark the most important changes ever known where electricity takes the place of steam. The multiple unit system was invented and developed by Mr. Sprague, and has proved so successful in other trials that it is believed it will solve perfectly the rapid transit problem. Mr. Sprague built at Richmond, Va., the first trolley system in the world.

Dropped Money in the Wrong Slot.

The prize "item" for some times comes from Pittsfield. Two little fellows were waiting for their turn to purchase a ticket at the Academy of Music, when one of them who had two dimes in his mouth swallowed them. The only damage done was a few tears which were dried up, when the manager said they could go and attend the play free of charge.

RUNAWAY BOY TO BE RETURNED.

New York Police Will Send George Hebert to His Parents Here.

Notice of the finding in New York of George Hebert, who ran away from his home in this city last Tuesday, was sent to Chief Kendall shortly after the news appeared in THE TRANSCRIPT yesterday. This morning he sent a telegram telling the New York officials to hold the boy. The father of the runaway called at the police station and was glad to hear of the boy's whereabouts. A ticket has been sent and he will be sent home Saturday.

Mr. Hebert said that last Sunday he made the boy stay at home when he had asked permission to go out, and the boy had said something about running away. His mother heard what he said and told her husband, and he gave the boy several blows with a strap and told him he must not talk like that.

The boy did not say any more but kept 75 cents which he received for selling newspapers. He also took \$5 that he found at home and went straight to New York.

A BAD WINTER FOR ALL.

Including the Street Railway Company. Snow Problems.

This has not been the worst winter for snow within the memory of the oldest inhabitant, perhaps, but it has easily discounted any bunching of weather since the electric road has been in operation. And as its most trying experience yet in keeping the road open with only short delays, the company has been congratulated on all sides for its excellent service.

But there has been some criticism at the way in which the company has cleaned the tracks, throwing the snow to each side, where it remained in high ridges that made travel dangerous for sleighs.

The road is required to keep its tracks and a space of two feet on each side cleared from snow, but it would be impossible to enforce this unless the city went to the expense of removing a foot or so of snow from the entire street, as it would leave a dangerous miniature precipice on each side.

In some cases, however, the company has not done as much as was called for and possible, and the result has been more or less complaint. The city authorities have called the attention of the company to the fact, and men have been at work on Eagle and State streets removing the ridges.

Delightful College Music.

College music attracted a small but very enthusiastic audience to the Columbia theater last evening, and the Williams clubs were greeted by a series of encores which seemed likely to exhaust their reserve stock of selections. The three clubs, for whom this was a practice concert, were in excellent form, and gave a most delightful program. The mandolin club seemed to maintain its lead as a popular favorite, as it has been since its organization. The addition of a violin was an innovation that softened the mandolin strings, and in such selections as the "Aeolian Harp Sounds" added much to the effectiveness of the club. The banjo and glee clubs were, fully up to their previous high standards, and few passages showed that it was early in the season. The medleys were unusually well put together, and in the "Frog Song" the chorus work was very funny. The humorous recitals of Louis Perry nearly dislocated the laughing apparatus of the audience, which barely survived. The stirring close of the program, when alumni and students joined the clubs in Washington Gladden's beautiful song "The Mountains" ended a concert which deserved a larger audience.

"At Piney Ridge," which plays here this evening, bids fair to be one of the best attractions of its kind here this season. It played in Troy Tuesday evening, and the Record speaks of it as a "breath from the sunny south." The story is dramatic, with all the romance of the fair Tennessee mountains, and the entire cast, a strong one. The Record says of Miss Louise Rial, who is well known here: "She gave in Dagmar a forcible personation that stamped her as an actress of rare power."

The Wolford Stock company the first three nights of next week brings a good show for popular prices. The play is changed each night, as are the vaudeville specialties. "Master and Man" is for Monday night. Matinees will be given Tuesday and Wednesday.

Not all people are musicians, but there are few who do not appreciate good band music. And Sousa's band is recognized as presenting the best. It will be in the Columbia theater on the afternoon of March 8.

The Scheme Effective.

The much discussed question of spitting on the floors of public hall ways has been settled effectually by one man, for a long time it has been the custom of young men to congregate in front of the entrance to the Wilson theater and to make the place almost impassable with the disgusting habit. Monday Manager Robinson and a helper cleaned the place and put a sign on the door which read "Gentlemen will not and others must not spit in front of this door. It is too cold for a bath." It was not heeded very much, however, and Mr. Robinson tried again. He tacked a large sign which reads "Those not able to walk to the gutter to spit, spit in this tub. This is no Klondike pass." Beneath the sign is a large tub. As yet no one has either spit in the tub or anywhere near it. The ingenuity of the manager has proved more effective than words of the police.

Organists' Concert Sunday.

The next concert by the organists' union of the city will be given in the Universalist church next Sunday evening. The services in the other churches will be omitted. The quartet from the Episcopal church which will sing is made up of Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Whitman, Mr. Heywood, Jr., Mr. Butterworth. Mr. Monroe will be violinist. Mr. Monroe will be conductor, Mr. Smith accompanist for the quartet, Mr. Hadfield for the anthems, Mr. Howes for the hymns and the offertory, and Mr. Tower will play the prelude and postlude. Mr. Monroe's full orchestra will assist.

AID FOR THE STRIKERS.

To Be Raised by Central Labor Union. General Union Business.

The regular meeting of the Central Labor union was held last evening and considerable business was transacted. The question of convict labor was laid over and the mass meeting committee was instructed to engage Samuel Gompers and call a mass meeting as soon as possible.

A committee was appointed to solicit funds for the New Bedford strikers. The organizing committee is making arrangements to organize the barbers and a meeting will be held this evening at C. L. U. hall for that purpose and all barbers are requested to be present.

The legislative committee has charge of the nine-hour movement and it will be pushed as soon as the committee has all the details completed. The meeting adjourned to meet next Sunday at 4 o'clock.

North Adams' Deer Preserves.

The deer that is living on the mountain south of Braytonville came out into the open again the other day and browsed for some time in plain sight of H. R. Hamer's house. Some of the time it was not more than 100 feet from the house, and the family had a chance to look at it as long as they wished. The deer has evidently settled down in that region and feels quite at home. Mr. Hamer says it is about the size of a calf and has no horns, and without doubt it was this deer that visited Braytonville a few weeks ago and gave the boys such a lively chase.

M. H. Whitney and E. H. Post drove to North Adams, Thursday, and near the state line they were surprised to see in the road, not more than 20 feet ahead of their horse, a large doe. The horse was stopped, and the doe, after inspecting the rig for a moment, cantered down the road about 200 feet, then turned aside and sprang up a bank, where it stood looking at the men as they drove by. The baying of a hound that was probably on the track of the doe could be heard some distance away.

It is evident that deer are becoming quite common on the northern Berkshire and southern Vermont mountains, as they have been frequently seen in different places hereabouts for the past year or two.

Greenfield Boy Honored.

President McKinley on Monday sent to the senate the nomination of Edgar J. Banks to be United States consul at Bagdad, Turkey. Mr. Banks is a Greenfield boy and his nomination is very well received there. He is a graduate of the Greenfield high school in 1886, and graduated from Harvard in 1893. He has made a special study of Assyrian and Babylonian languages. He receives this appointment largely through the influence of Senator Proctor of Vermont. Senators Morrill, Hoar and Lodge, and President Angell of Michigan university were among those who lent their influence to secure the nomination of Mr. Banks.

A Cool Breakfast.

On Brooklyn street this morning a little boy was seen standing on a high snowdrift by the side of a low-roofed house pulling icicles from the eaves and eating them. The boy was bare-foot and had on but few clothes, yet his countenance and manner indicated that he was enjoying life.

BLACKINTON.

Frank B. Rickards is in Boston a few days on business.

Mrs. Henry Bastian is home from a few days spent in Berlin, N. Y.

John T. Carpenter, manager of the Hood stock farm at Lowell, and son Raymond returned home Thursday morning after spending a few days here and at Schaghticoke, N. Y.

Master Paul Robinson is ill with a severe attack of the mumps.

Seldom a year passes that the Williams college musical association does not give an entertainment here, and this year is to be no exception. Arrangements are being made for a concert in the near future for the benefit of the Blackinton schools, to raise funds to purchase a microscope.

John J. Jones' horse took a short run Wednesday afternoon. With the exception of a broken thigh, and a fall on the snow for Mr. Jones, no damage was done.

Jerome, the 14-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stone, died Wednesday after a very short illness, and was buried Thursday afternoon in the Blackinton cemetery.

William L. Pomeroy of New York and president of the Blackinton company was in town today.

The reception of young society people to be given this evening in Temperance hall promises to eclipse anything of the kind given this season. Many invitations have been accepted from Pittsfield, Adams, North Adams, Williamstown, Hoosick Falls, Schaghticoke, Troy and Cohoes, N. Y.

A meeting is called for this evening in the Y. P. S. C. E. hall, of the taxpayers and voters of Williamstown to talk over matters pertaining to village improvements, town officers, etc., to be brought before the coming town meeting at Williamstown. Heretofore the majority of voters went to Williamstown and voted in the morning and came away before matters of importance were settled. This is not a move to further the political interests of any one, but a move to bring the voters together, find out the needs of the village and the best means of bringing them before the town meeting.

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35c Coffee, now	20c Corn Starch, 3 packages,	5c
25c Coffee, now	15c Peas, per quart,	10c
50c Tea, now	25c Baking Powder, per pound,	4c
30c Tea, now	15c CAN GOODS.	
19c Tea, now	10c Peaches, per can,	10c
	10c Plums, per can,	10c
	5c Corn, per can,	5c
	4c Peas,	5c
40 cakes Standard soap,	\$1.00	
Rice, per pound,	2 1/2c	
Oatmeal, per pound,	2 1/2c	
Beans, per quart,	5c	
Pork, per pound,	5c	
Starch, per pound,	4c	

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